

Sound Shake '08

Communications Break-Out

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3 Full Pages Quake Pictures Inside

1965

Seattle Post-Intelligencer
THE QUALITY NEWSPAPER OF THE GREAT NORTHWEST
SUNRISE EDITION
SEATTLE, FRIDAY, APRIL 30, 1965
10 PAGES WA, 3.000

Quake Damage In Millions



Five Dead,
Many Hurt

In Quake

*Natural Hazards - Change
We Can Take to the Bank*

EXTRA **SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER**
1949
**SEVEN DEAD, 59 INJURED:
EARTHQUAKE LOSS HEAVY**



**Tumbler Lasts Two
Minutes; Olympia
Area Is Evacuated**

**Military Police Patrol
Downtown Seattle**

Seven persons were killed and at least 59 were injured seriously by an earthquake that rocked the Pacific Northwest and caused considerable damage in Seattle and other cities.

The Olympian
USGS science for a changing world
Epicenter 11 miles northeast of Olympia
More than two dozen buildings damaged
no South Sound deaths

6.8 QUAKE



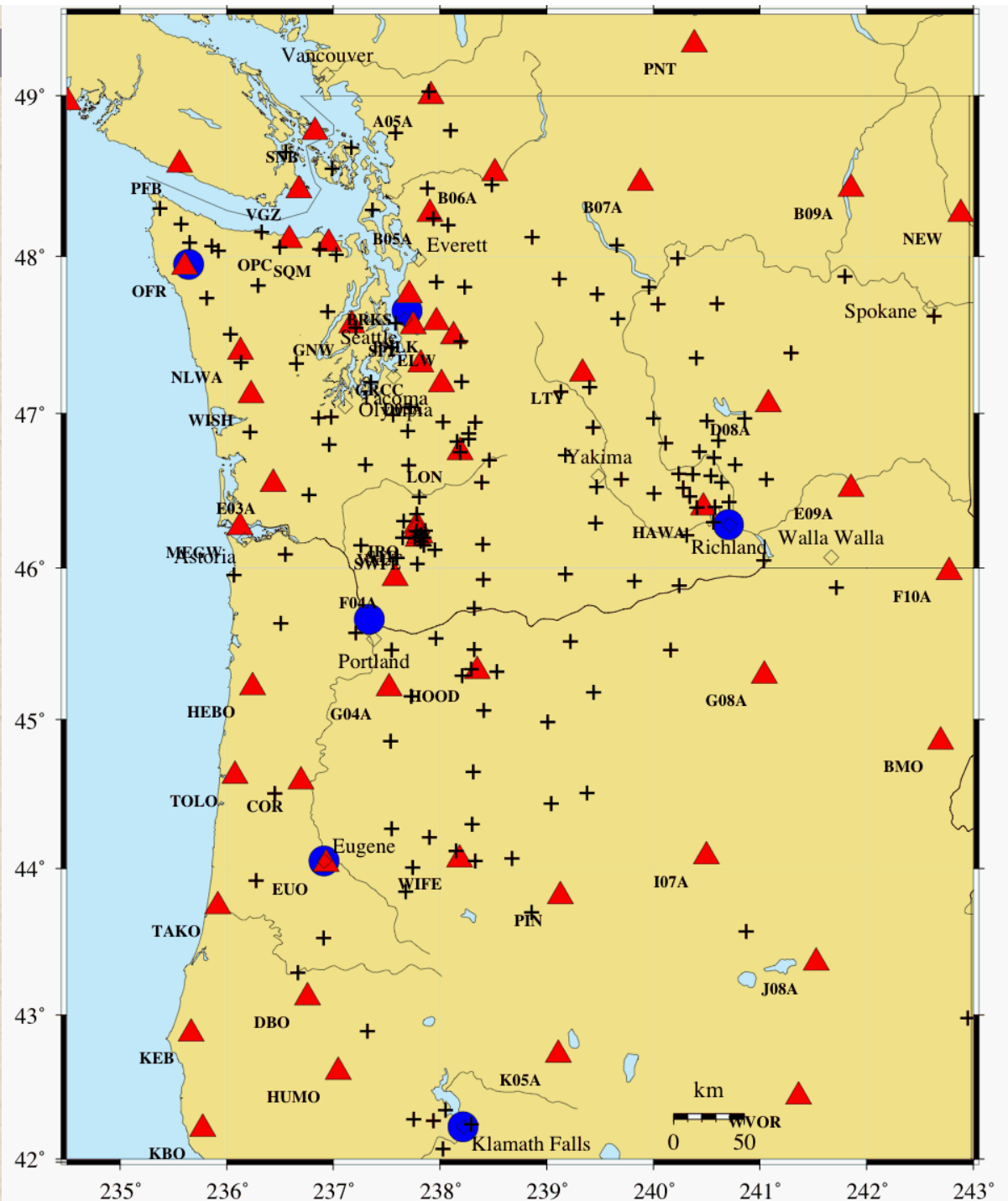
State buildings shut till Monday

4th Ave. bridge Residents: 'Our building was dancing'

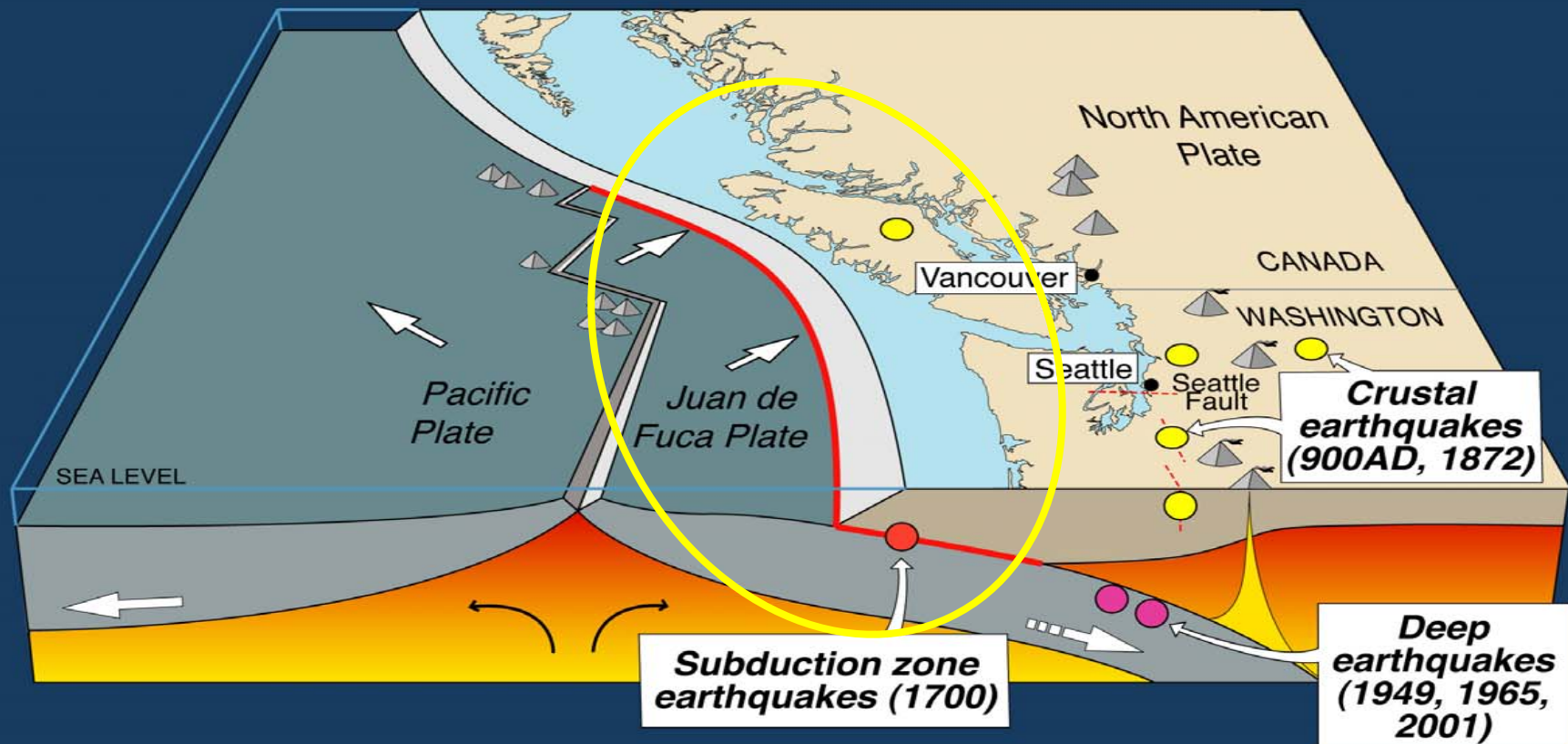
*John Vidale, UW, Pacific Northwest Seismic Network
& Many, Many Others*

PNSN Seismometer map

- **U of Washington, Seattle, WA**
 - Operations and regional center
- **USGS, Cascade Volcano Observatory, Vancouver, WA**
 - Works on Mt St Helens and coordinates volcano monitoring
- **NSF, IRIS DMC, Seattle, WA**
 - Archives data
- **U of Oregon, Eugene, OR**
 - Maintenance of stations in southern Oregon
- **Pacific Northwest Laboratory, Richland, WA**
 - Operates stations in eastern Washington

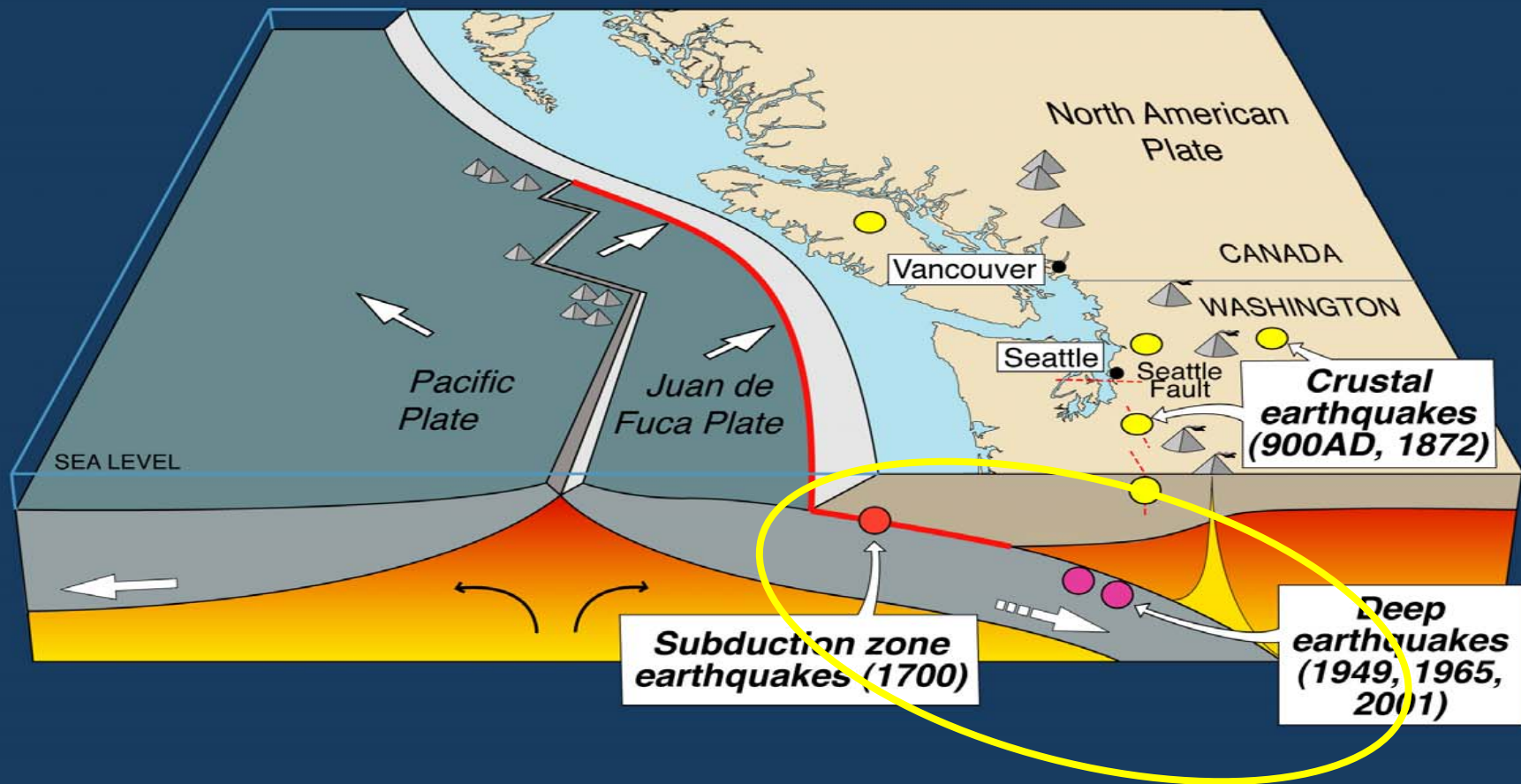


Cascadia earthquake sources



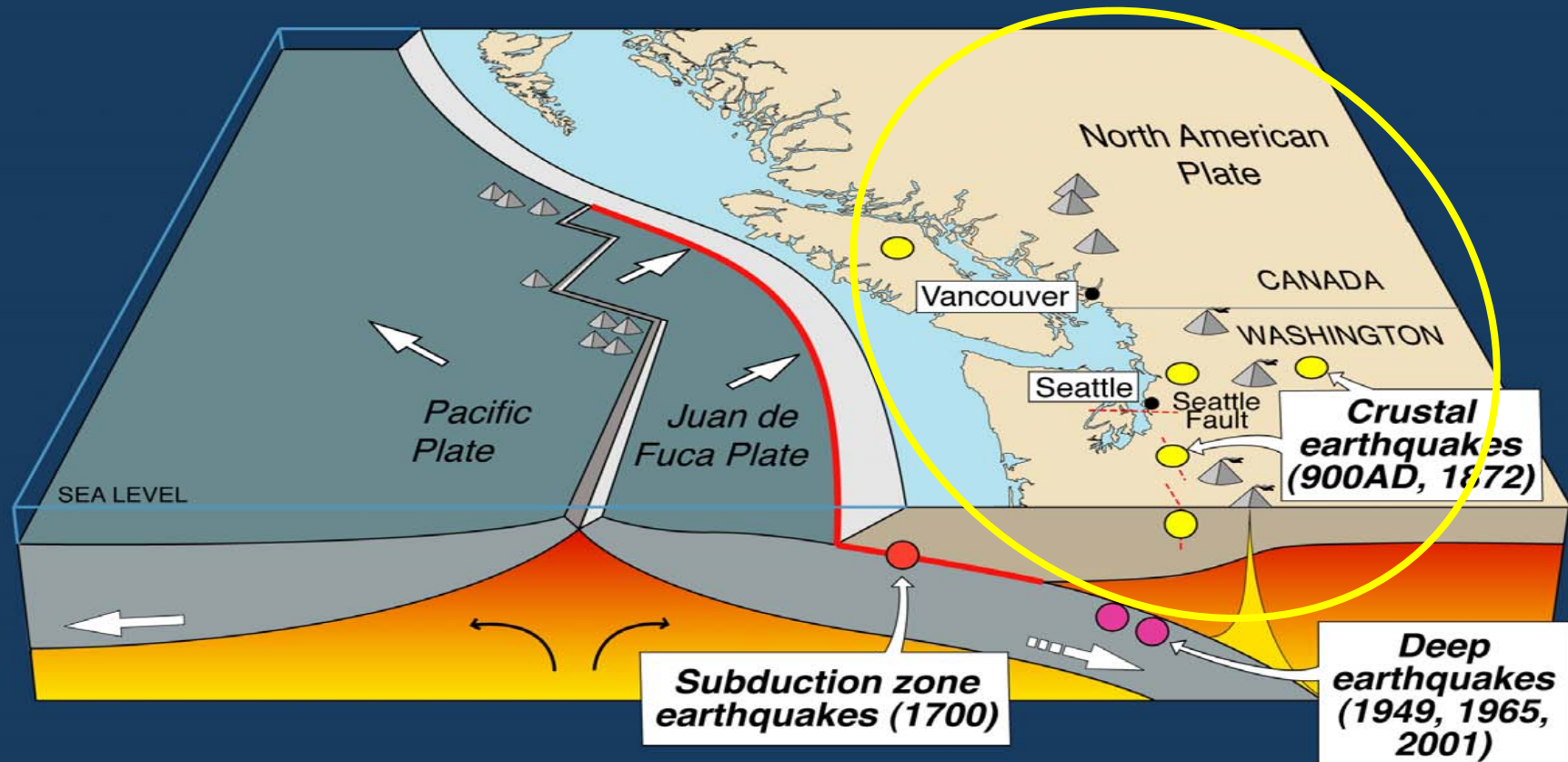
*Subduction zone earthquakes are the **Big Ones**, occurring where the downgoing plate is usually stuck. About 10% chance of **M9+** each 50 years.*

Cascadia earthquake sources



‘Intraplate’ (deep) earthquakes have been moderate in size & deep, occurring as the plate flexes on its way down. In a 50-year window, there’s an 84% chance of a M6.5 interplate earthquake.

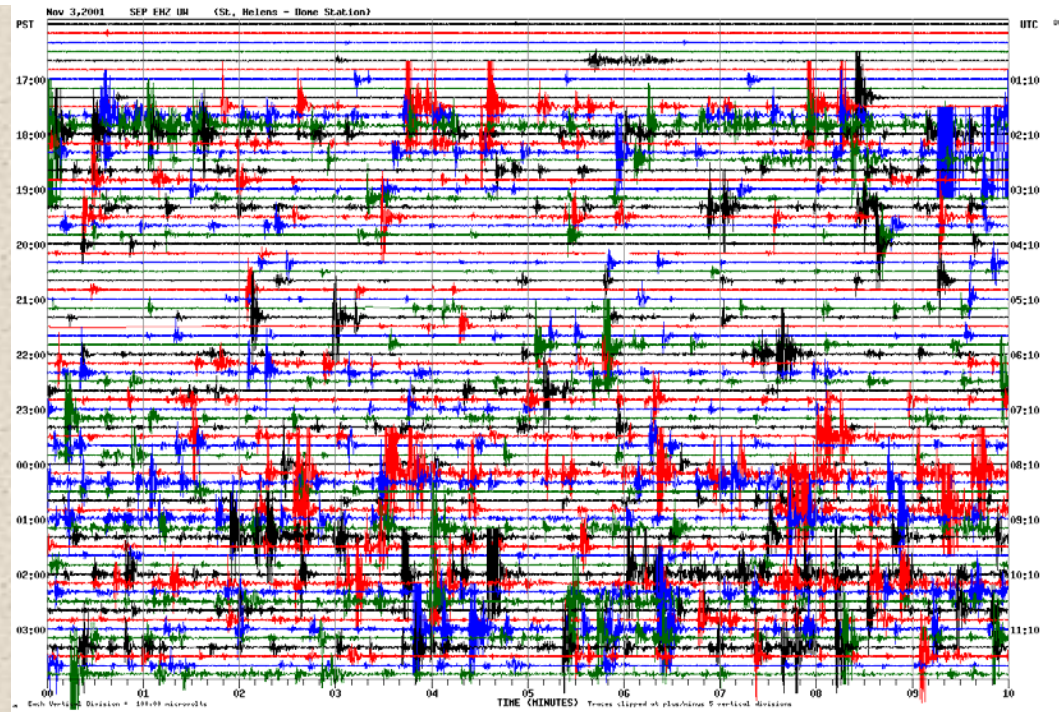
Cascadia earthquake sources



‘Crustal’ earthquakes occur because the crust is deforming, as well as the subduction zone slipping and the plate flexing. In a 50-year window, the chances are 5% & 15% of an M6.5+ earthquake on the Seattle fault & in the crust anywhere in the Puget Sound region, respectively.

Near-Realtime Information Products

Seismograms

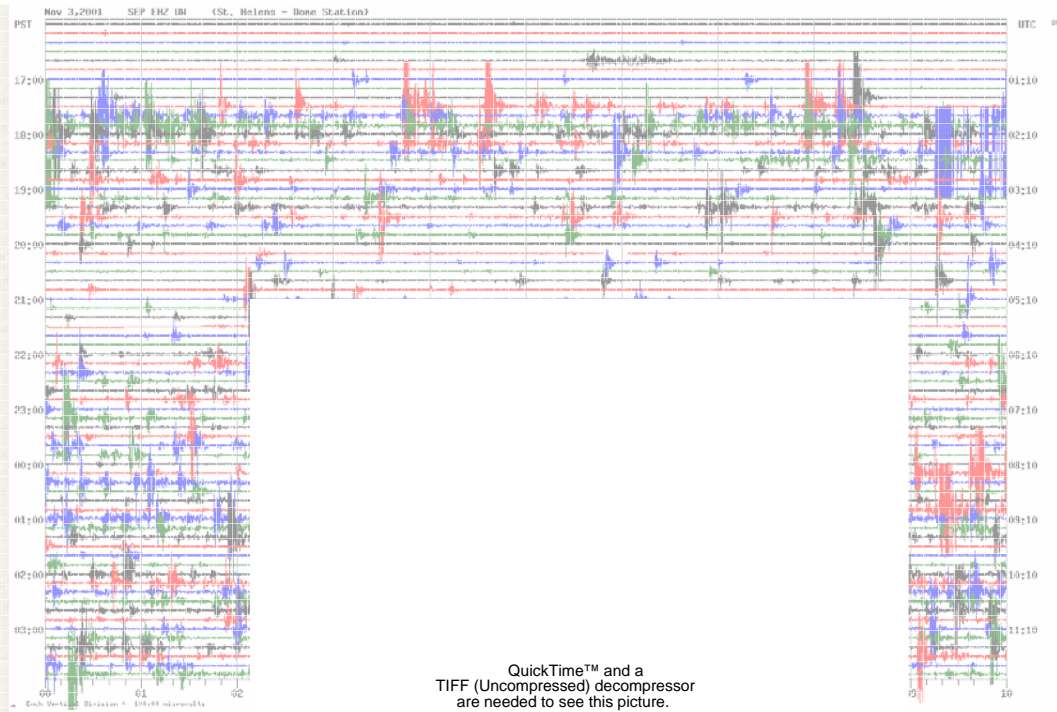




Near-Realtime Information Products

Seismograms

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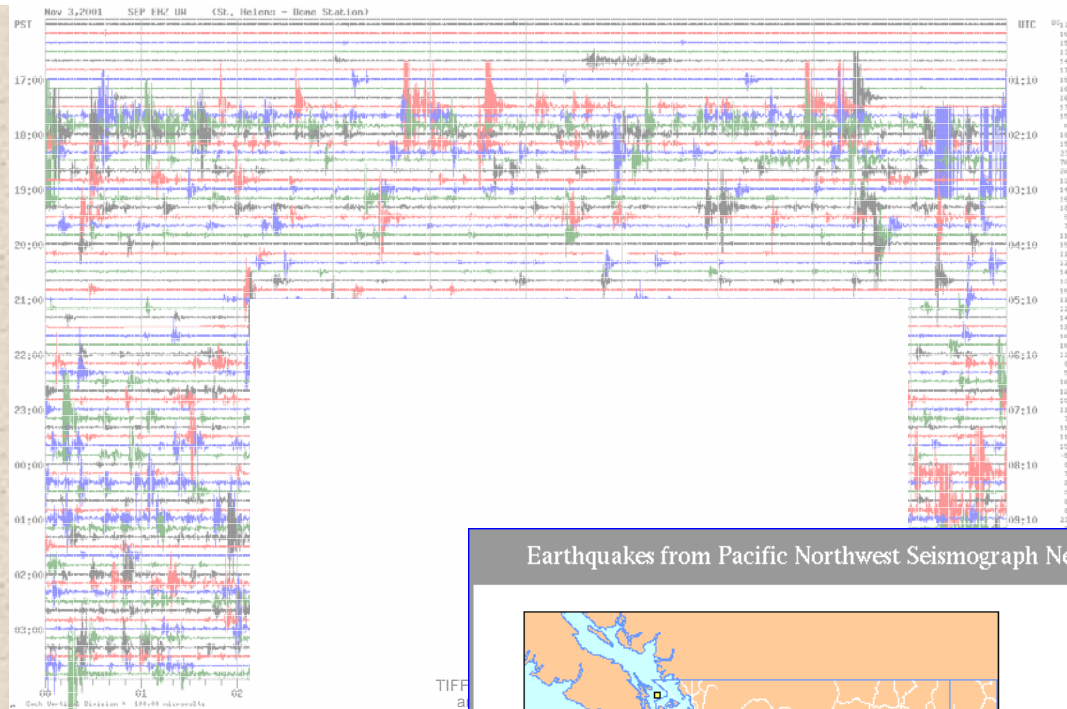


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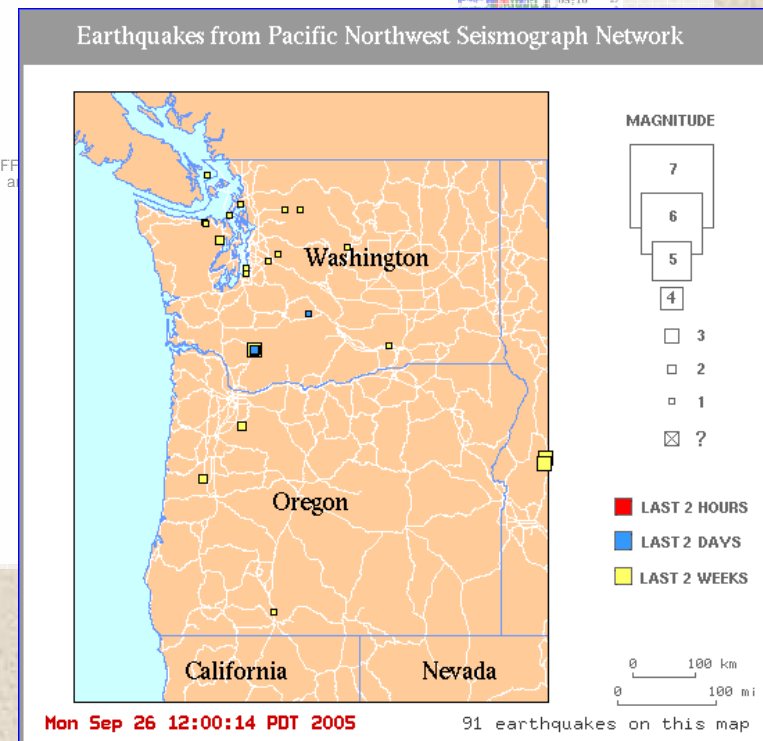
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Recent Earthquakes

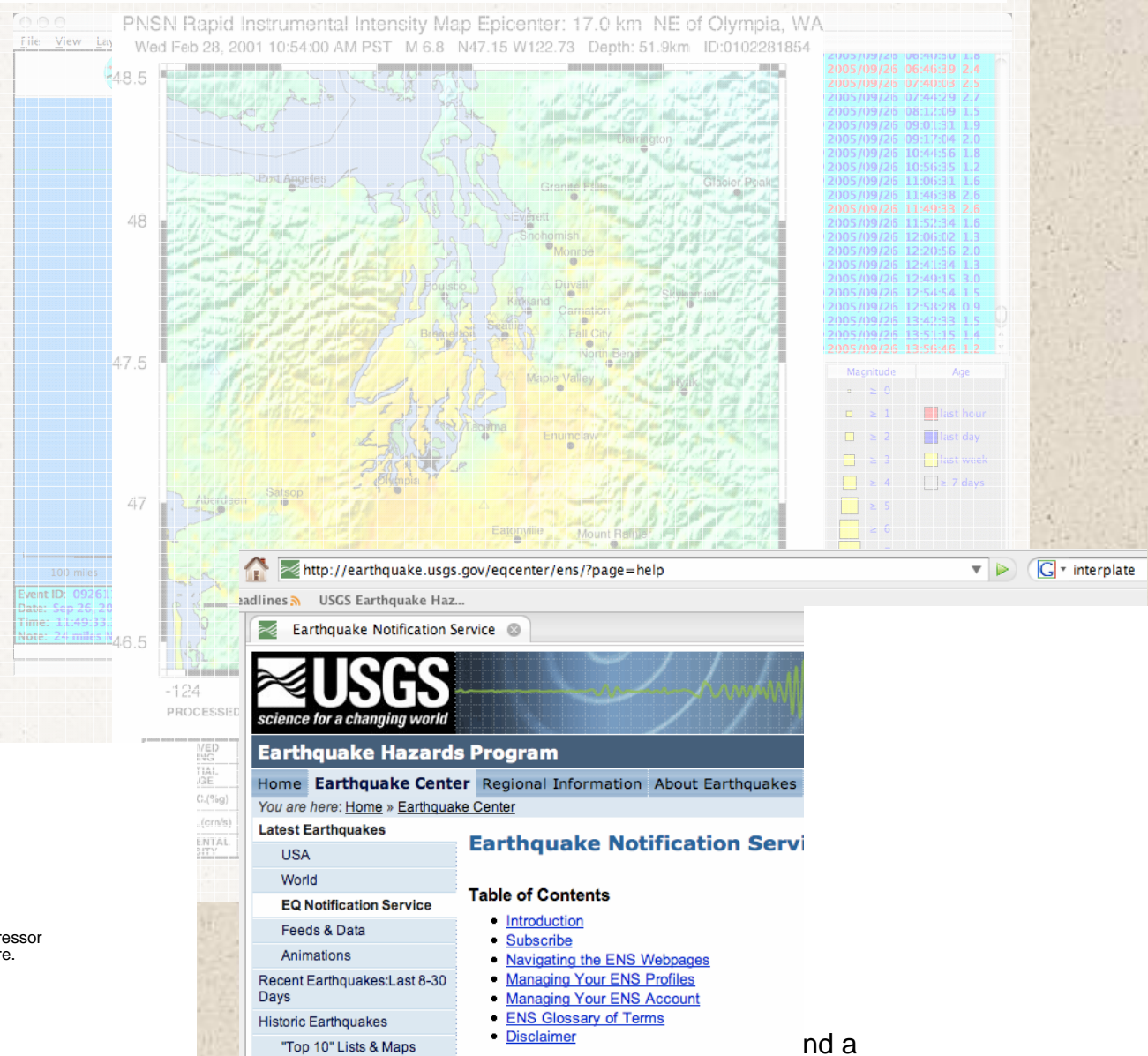


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Near-Realtime Information Products

- Broadcast notification of earthquakes within ~10 minutes
- ShakeMaps
- A simpler option; the **Earthquake Notification Service**



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Reports, Fact Sheets, Maps, Databases

Advanced
National
Seismic
System



ANSS CATALOG SEARCH

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Use the form below to search the ANSS global earthquake catalog. [Help](#) with the form is available. Feel free to visit the [earthquake maps and lists](#) as well.

01/08/2003 - Try the [simplified version of the catalog search with output maps!](#)

Select earthquake catalog - Input dataset and output format

ANSS composite catalog (1898-present) ▾

- ☒ Catalog in readable format
☐ Readable 80-col format
☐ Raw catalog format

Select earthquake parameters

Start date,time: 2002/01/01,00:00:00

End date,time:

Min magnitude: Max magnitude:

Min depth (km): Max depth (km):

Min latitude: Max latitude:

Min longitude: Max longitude:

Event Types: ☒ Earthquakes ☐ Blasts (Quarry or Nuclear) ☐ All Events

☐ Include Events with no reported Magnitude

Fault and Fold Database

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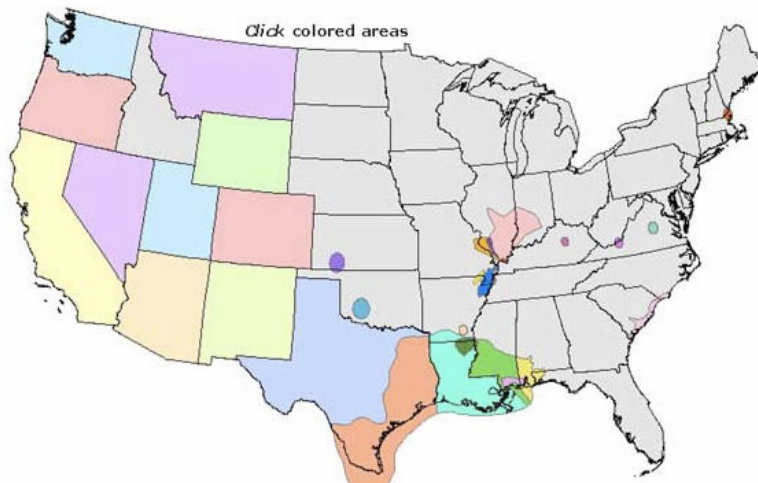
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Faults and Folds by State and Region



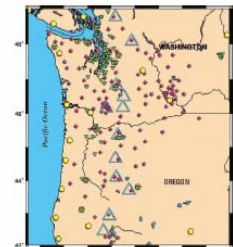
THE ADVANCED NATIONAL SEISMIC SYSTEM REGIONAL NETWORKS

PNSN—Pacific Northwest Seismograph Network

The Pacific Northwest Seismograph Network (PNSN), an integral part of the Advanced National Seismic System (ANSS), locates earthquakes in Washington and Oregon and communicates earthquake information to the public.

Earthquakes in the Pacific Northwest

The Pacific Northwest (PNW) is an active seismic area with three distinct types of earthquakes. Major deep earthquakes recur every 30 years or so in western Washington. Subduction-zone earthquakes, which can be as large as magnitude 9.0 (M9.0), recur every few hundred years on a long offshore fault that parallels the coast of Washington and Oregon. Shallow crustal faults within the continental plate are a hazard to major urban centers from Seattle to Portland. Although recurrence times are not known, crustal earthquakes are a possibility almost anywhere in Washington and Oregon, including areas east of the Cascades such as Wenatchee, Yakima, and Walla Walla. Crustal earthquakes also precede volcanic outbursts and were used to predict eruptions at Mount St. Helens in the 1980s.

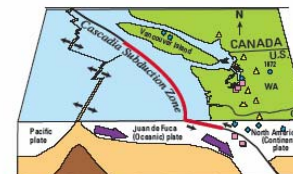


Each year, the PNSN records several dozen felt earthquakes and thousands of smaller earthquakes—ongoing reminders of the earthquake hazards in Washington and Oregon.

The Network: PNSN's Earthquake Monitoring Equipment uses several different types of sensors that measure ground motion: accelerometer ▽; seismometer (3 components) ○; seismometer (1 component) ◆; Cascade volcanoes ▲.

The PNSN

To monitor earthquake and volcanic activity across the Pacific Northwest, the University of Washington and the University of Oregon cooperatively operate the PNSN. Beginning in 1969 with five seismometers, the PNSN has grown to more than 200 seismograph stations distributed across the region. At the heart of the PNSN is an information and operations center, located at the University of Washington Department of Earth and Space Sciences, which provides rapid earthquake information to emergency responders, the press, and the public and high-quality data to engineers. The PNSN is sponsored by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), the U.S. Department of Energy, and the State of Washington.



- **Deep earthquakes** (40 miles below the Earth's surface) are within the subducting Oceanic plate as it bends beneath the Continental plate. The largest deep Northwest earthquakes known were in 1949 (M7.1), 1965 (M6.5), and 2001 (M6.8).
- **Shallow earthquakes** (less than 15 miles deep) are caused by faults in the North American Continental plate. The Seattle fault produced a shallow magnitude 7+ earthquake 1,100 years ago. Other M7+ earthquakes occurred in 1872, 1918, and 1946.
- **Subduction earthquakes** are huge quakes that result when the boundary between the Oceanic and Continental plates ruptures. In 1700, the most recent Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake sent a tsunami as far as Japan.

▲ Mount St. Helens/other Cascade volcanoes.

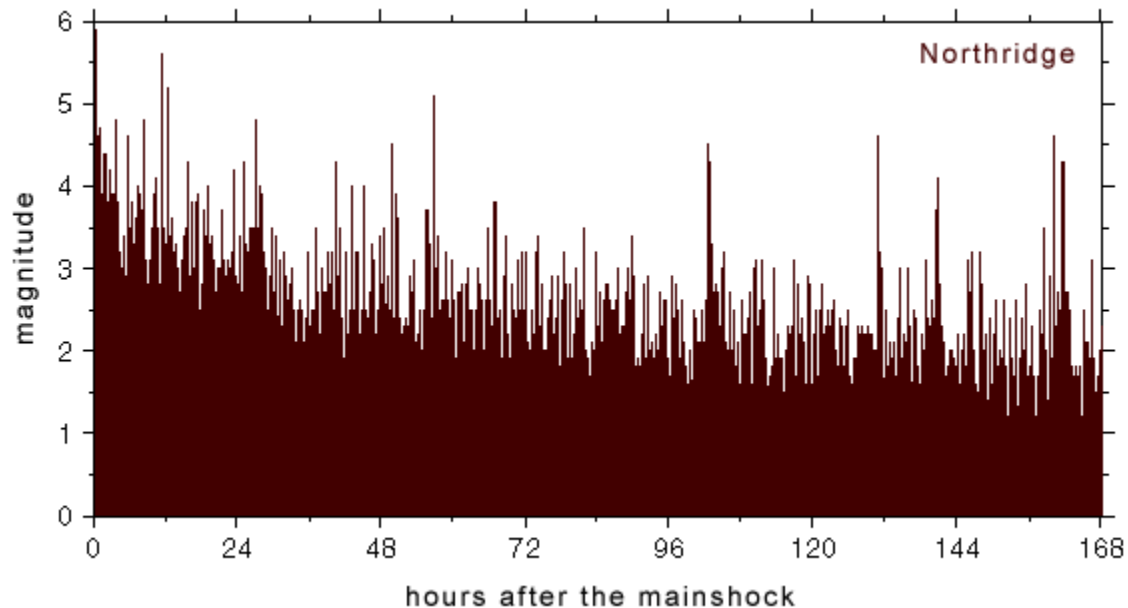
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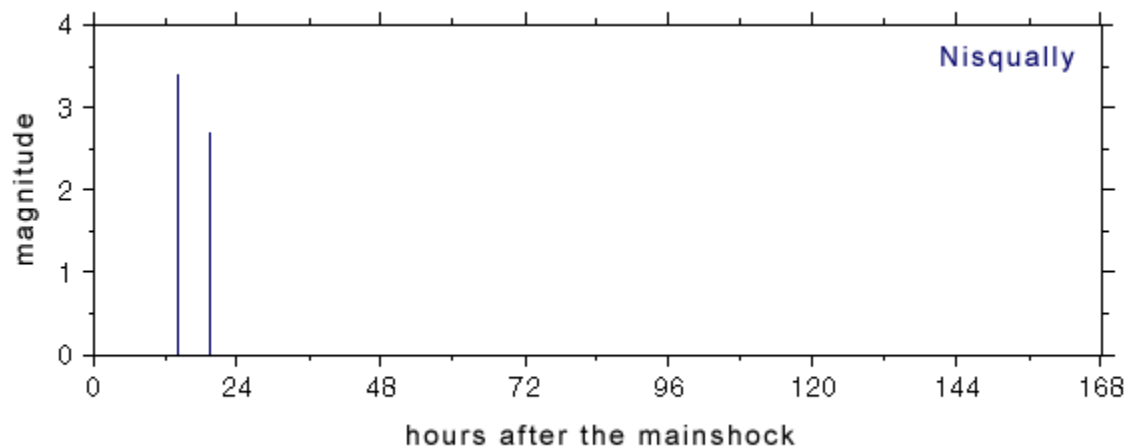
Soon - Aftershock Forecasts



Northridge Earthquake

100s of aftershocks

Largest – M5.9



Nisqually Earthquake

2 aftershocks

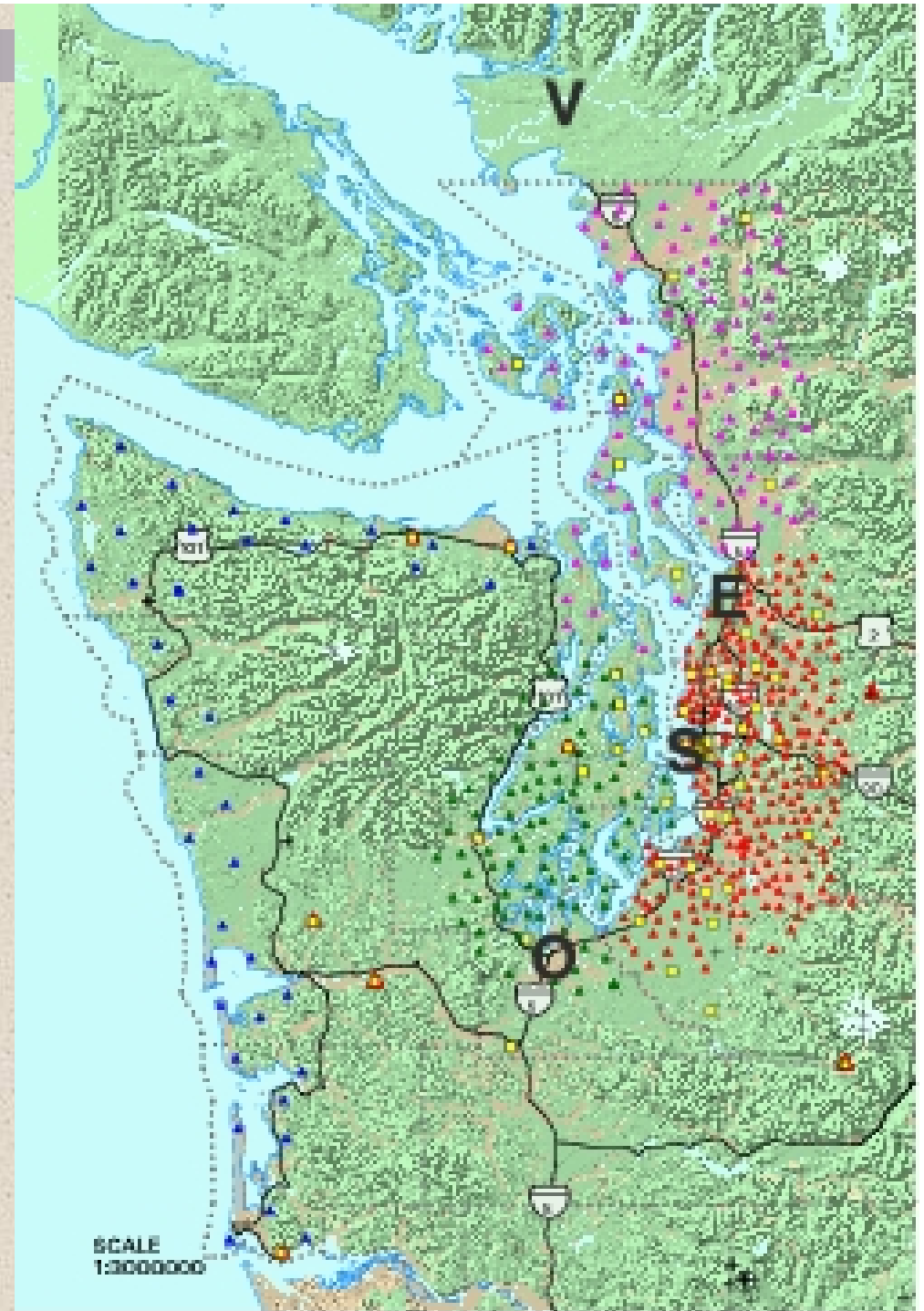
Largest – M3.4

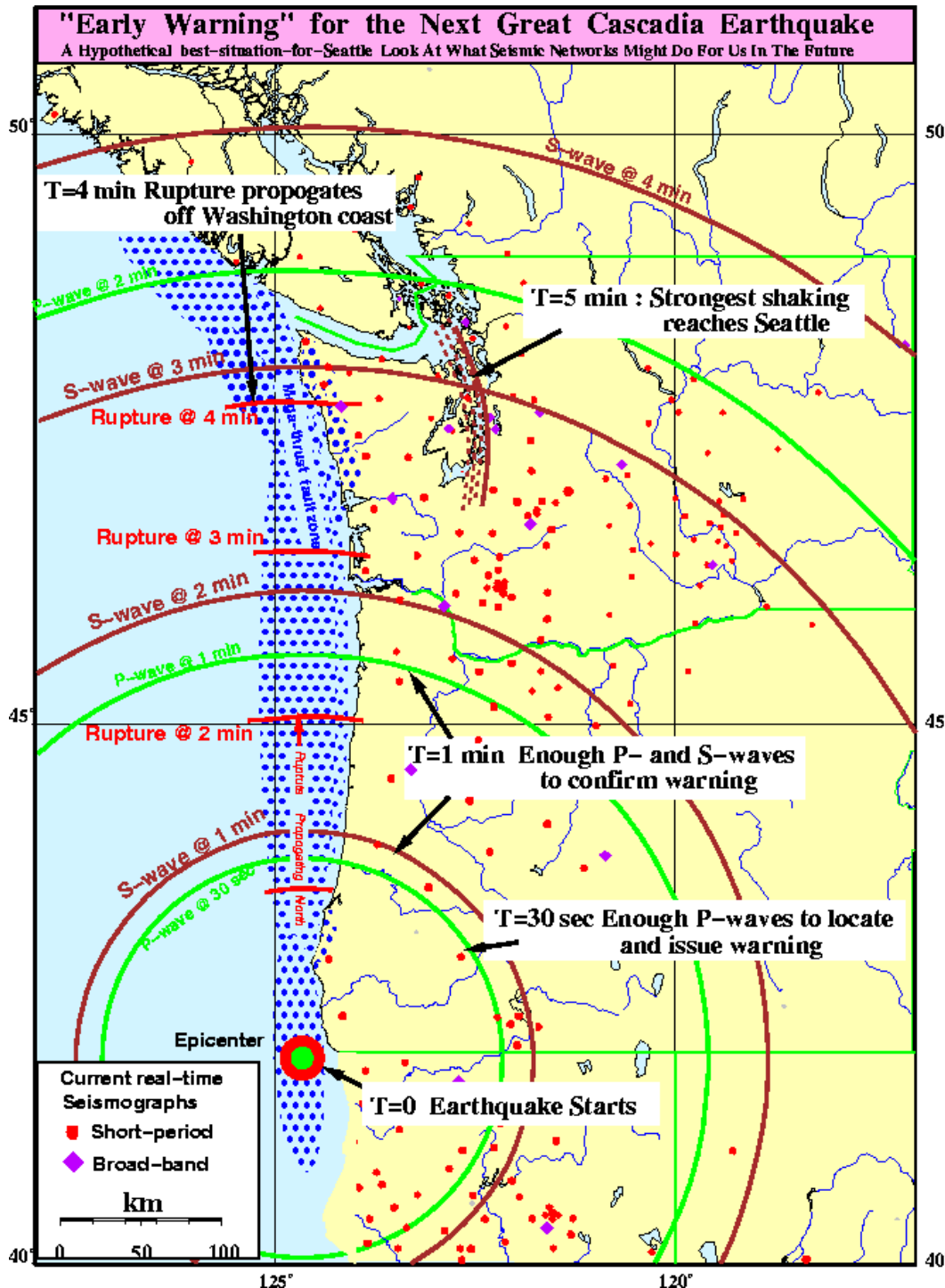
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QuakeNet-

USGS plan to
place 500
sensors on I-5
corridor -

highways,
schools,
hospitals, ...





Eventually -
Earthquake early
warning





More info

EMD Earthquake workshop

All day, October 16, 2007 in Yakima

Hazards Roundtable

10 am, October 17, 2007 at the University of Washington, Seattle

National Earthquake Conference

April 22-26, 2008 in Seattle

<http://www.earthquakeconference.org>